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The purposed Microsoft settlement is a slap in the face to antitrust laws and the American public. Here is my opinion on what needs to be done to Microsoft:

1. Stiff fines and monetary penalties.
2. Their ten most popular software titles MUST be developed for the Mac OS X platform (this is excluding the applications that currently exist on the Macintosh such as Office, Media Player, MSN Messenger, etc.). They will be required to continue the development of these software titles for the next ten years.
3. The source code for Internet Explorer must be made public so that developers can take advantage of 3hooks² in the code that only Microsoft knew about previously.

I feel that the ideas outlined above serve as fair and just punishment to the Microsoft monopoly. The fines and financial penalties will serve as a remedy for the overpriced software they have pushed upon consumers over the last seven years. The requirement of developing more applications for the Macintosh will help spur more competition and innovation in the computer industry. And, finally, opening the source code to Internet Explorer will give everyone the tools to take advantage of the 3hooks² in the software code. More powerful and secure web applications will result.

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